

# New Jersey DRIVER MANUAL



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# A Message from the Governor



**James E. McGreevey**  
Governor

You are about to join the millions of people who enjoy the opportunity of driving in New Jersey.

Driving is a serious responsibility that should not be taken lightly. With it comes the need to be safe and courteous.

Observe the rules in this book and I'm sure you will have many pleasurable hours on New Jersey's roads.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James E. McGreevey". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping "J" and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

**Jamie Fox**

Commissioner  
Department of Transportation

**Diane M. Legreide**

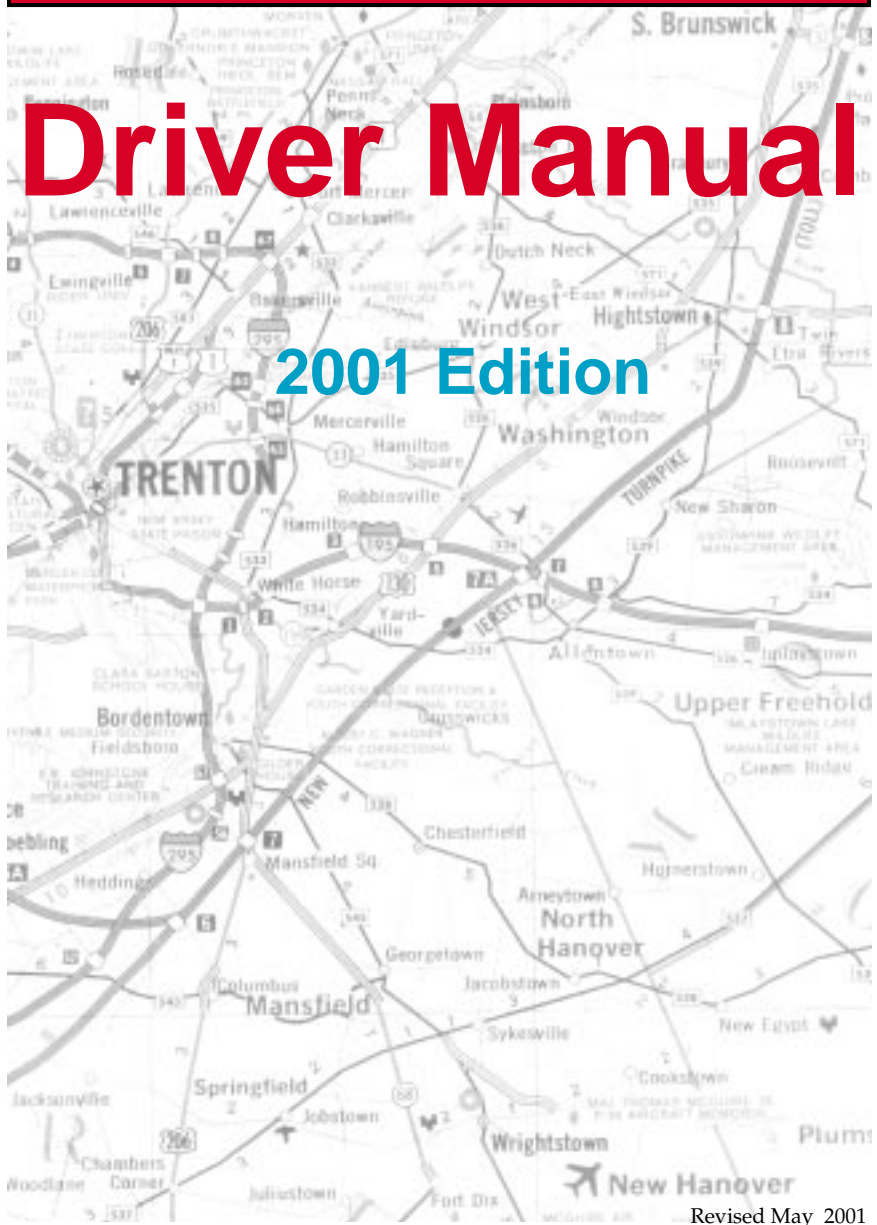
Director  
Motor Vehicle Services

**NOTE:** The vehicle in the cover picture is a 1965 Stingray Chevrolet Corvette. Under the New Jersey Seat Belt Law, any passenger automobile manufactured after July 1, 1966 must be equipped with seat belt systems. (See pp. 24-27 for information about the Seat Belt Law.)

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# Welcome to driving in New Jersey!

The **New Jersey Driver Manual** gives you the information you need to pass the written driver test and to help keep our busy roadways among the nation's safest.

The manual has two sections. Section I has seven parts. Each part may contain one or several chapters. The manual contains review questions so you can reinforce what you've learned.

The first part tells you how to apply for your driver license and the tests you'll have to pass. It contains a sample written test and some study questions based on the two chapters in that section.

Part two contains three chapters on starting to drive, following rules and regulations when you drive, and defensive driving. The study questions are at the end of the section.

You can find driver privileges and penalties, such as the point system, mandatory sentences, drinking, drugs and driving and license suspensions in part three's chapters.

It's important that all drivers and nondrivers know how to safely use roads and pathways when other vehicles and other users are present. We have included an entire section titled "Sharing the road" to address that issue.

Parts five and six give you vital information about emergencies, such as vehicle breakdown and accidents, and vehicle requirements, such as titles, registrations, license plates and insurance.

To drive safely and get where you're going, you should know how to read and understand road signs. Part seven explains how to read maps and understand road signs. We've included study questions for parts four through seven at the end of part seven.

The specially prepared Motor Vehicle Services (MVS) information guide in Section II gives you the addresses of all agencies, driver testing centers, vehicle inspection centers and regional centers, Intoxicated Driver Resource Centers (IDRC) and general telephone listings. There's also a comprehensive driver dictionary, answers to the sample test questions in chapter two and a detailed index.

This manual is not a legal reference for New Jersey motor vehicle and traffic laws. For copies of the statutes, contact West Publishing Company at (800) 328-9352, Gould Publications, 1333 North U.S. Highway 17-92, Longwood, FL 32750-3724, or Gann Law Publishers, One Washington Park, Suite 1500, Newark, NJ 07102.

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